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FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: INITIATION OF COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATIONS OF NI-RESIST PISTON INSERTS FROM ARGENTINA (C-357-819) AND KOREA (C-580-862)

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TO: DIRECTORS OF FIELD OPERATIONS
PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT

RE: INITIATION OF COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATIONS OF NI-RESIST PISTON INSERTS FROM ARGENTINA (C-357-819)
AND KOREA (C-580-862)

- 1. ON FEBRUARY 23, 2009, COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ITS INITIATIONS OF THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATIONS OF NI-RESIST PISTON INSERTS FROM ARGENTINA (C-357-819) AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA (C-580-862) (74 FR 8054).
- 2. THE MERCHANDISE COVERED BY THESE INVESTIGATIONS INCLUDES ALL NI-RESIST PISTON INSERTS REGARDLESS OF SIZE, THICKNESS, WEIGHT, OR OUTSIDE DIAMETER. NI-RESIST PISTON INSERTS MAY ALSO BE CALLED OTHER NAMES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, "RING CARRIERS," OR Message Date: 02/24/2009 Message Number: 9055210 Page 2 of 5

"ALFIN INSERTS." NI-RESIST PISTON INSERTS ARE ALLOYED CAST IRON RINGS, WITH OR WITHOUT A SHEET METAL COOLING CHANNEL PRESSED AND WELDED INTO THE INTERIOR OF THE INSERT.

NI-RESIST PISTON INSERTS ARE COMPOSED OF THE MATERIAL KNOWN AS NI-RESIST, OF THE CHEMICAL COMPOSITION: 13.5% - 17.5% NI (NICKEL), 5.5% - 8.0% CU (COPPER), 0.8% - 2.5% CR (CHROMIUM), 0.5% - 1.5% MN (MANGANESE), 1.0% - 3.0% SI (SILICON), 2.4% - 3.0% C (CARBON). THE CAST IRON COMPOSITION IS PRODUCED PRIMARILY TO THE MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR TESTING AND MATERIALS (ASTM), ASTM A-436 GRADE 1.

THE SCOPE OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS DOES NOT INCLUDE PISTON RINGS NOR ANY OTHER PRODUCT MANUFACTURED USING THE NI-RESIST MATERIAL. THE SUBJECT IMPORTS ARE PROPERLY CLASSIFIED UNDER SUBHEADING 8409.99.91.90 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF

THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS), BUT HAVE BEEN IMPORTED UNDER HTSUS 7326.90. THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES. THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION IS DISPOSITIVE OF THE SCOPE OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS.

3.FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THESE CASES HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBERS:

**ARGENTINA: C-357-819** 

REPUBLIC OF KOREA: C-580-862.

4.IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CBP OFFICERS, THE IMPORTING PUBLIC OR INTERESTED PARTIES, PLEASE CONTACT DAVINA HASHMI OR RON TRENTHAM AT THE OFFICE OF AD/CVD OPERATIONS, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-0984 OR (202) 482-3577, RESPECTIVELY (GENERATED BY O3: KJ).

5. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

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## **Company Details**

\*Party Indicator Value:

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